Hereditary benign telangiectasia?

To the Editor,

Takcı and colleagues[1] presented two 13 and 16 year old girls with telangiectasia in buccal mucosa and sun exposed skin areas under the title of "Hereditary Benign Telangiectasia" without family history, as the authors emphasized with supporting references.

When the ages of the patients are taken into consideration, I believe endoglin[2] gene mutation better be searched to separate these children's telangiectasia from hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (Osler-Rendu-Weber) syndrome which is usually seen in older people.

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PS: Unfortunately the pictures were not clear enough for evaluation.

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